



**GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
CONSTRUCTION CODES COORDINATING BOARD**

c/o DCRA – 1100 4th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20024

CODE CHANGE PROPOSAL FORM

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CODE: Property Maintenance

SECTION NO. 604.2

SUBCOMMITTEE AMENDMENT NO. PM-6-3

PROPOSING SUBCOMMITTEE: PM

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DATES OF PROPOSAL: 5-5-2010

CCCCB PRESENTATION: 6-17-2010

CCCCB APPROVAL:

CHECK ONE

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Revise section to read as follows:

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Delete section and substitute the following:

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Add new section to read as follows:

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Delete section without substitution.

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~~LINE THROUGH TEXT TO BE DELETED~~ (highlight text, under Format, click font and check strikethrough)

UNDERLINE TEXT TO BE ADDED

Use additional sheets of the form, if necessary.

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Anticipated impact of code change on cost of construction (CHECK ONE)

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Increase

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Decrease

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Negligible

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Unknown

Per 1,000 SF single-family dwelling

to

Per 1,000SF of commercial building

to

JUSTIFICATION OF CHANGE:

Please reference one or more of the criteria required

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To address a critical life/safety, health, general welfare need.

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To address a specific District of Columbia policy or statute

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For consistency with federal, or with reference to the Metro DC area (MD, VA) codes

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Address a unique character issue in the District of Columbia

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Correction of errors and omissions

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Other (explain)

Numerous DC existing multi-family units contain 60 ampere service disconnecting means (an electrical panel) in individual units and some have equipment (window air conditioners, for example) with service disconnecting means located elsewhere in the building. The following proposed Exception to the 2009 IPMC is copied from the Electrical Code (Article 230.79 (B)) and would allow these conditions to remain under certain circumstances.



Delete Section 604.2 of the International Property Maintenance Code in its entirety and add new Section PM-604.2 to read as follows

604.2 Service. The size and usage of appliances and equipment shall serve as a basis for determining the need for additional facilities in accordance with NFPA 70. *Dwelling units* shall be served by a three-wire, 120/240 volt, single-phase electrical service having a rating of not less than 60 amperes.

Exception: For installations consisting of not more than two 2-wire branch circuits, service disconnecting means shall have a rating of not less than 30 amperes.